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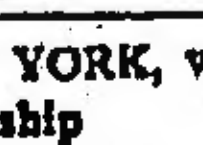
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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 1897.

VICTORIA THE GOOD.

To-morrow Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen-Emress completes the sixtieth year of her reign over the United Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland and over the wide territories and the many nations and peoples that have been brought, in peace or in war, under the dominion and within the shelter of the British flag. She has graced the throne for a longer period than any of Her predecessors, and Her reign has been the most eventful in the history of the world. Under no sovereign have greater conquests been achieved, or greater progress effected in science, in art, in commerce, in manufactures; in all that tends towards the growth, the wealth, the prosperity, the happiness of the nations of the earth. India, Australia, New Zealand, the Dominion of Canada, our African territories, North and South, have all been added to the Empire since 1837. True, we had territory in all these lands before that date, and subjects and settlements, but so great has been the growth and expansion during these sixty years that India, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and South Africa of to-day are wholly unlike the same places in 1837. They were then struggling outposts of the empire; now they are integral portions of it, and no mean or unimportant fractions of it either. In extent of territory, in population, in wealth, in intelligence or material comfort, they have grown and expanded out of all recognition, and they are bound to-day to the mother country and the mother country to them in a way and to an extent which was simply inconceivable to the statesmen of the earlier years of Her Majesty's reign. Steam and Electricity in all their practical appliances are among the first fruits of Her reign. There is a new chemistry, a new geology, a new philosophy of life since 1837. History has almost been re-written. Medicine and Surgery have been completely revolutionized. Popular education is a new growth. Manners have softened. Religion has wonderfully deepened and spread. And in all this extension, in all these ameliorations and improvements—whether political, scientific, social or religious—Her Majesty the Queen has always taken an intelligent, sympathetic

part, and from Her and from Her influence no adverse currents have ever emanated. She has always kept abreast of all the movements of the day, never impeding, but always regulating, guiding, fostering, as Her high position and matured experience enabled her to do. As the sovereign of a constitutionally governed country, as the Representative to the world at large of a great people and the grandest Empire that the world has yet known, as the born leader of an ancient nobility and a virtuous people, as a standard of right living and high emprise, Her Majesty has always been, stainless and without reproach. No complaint against Her in any capacity has ever stood the test of investigation, and year by year we are learning more and more of the actual share she has borne in the Government of the country, in the direction of its policy at home and abroad, and of the counsel and support she has always given at critical moments to Her Ministers. The more we learn of Her public and private life the more we must love Her, reverence Her, respect Her, and from many a full heart will go up to-morrow, all the wide world over, the hearty prayer,

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

WHY NOT ALTER THE PROGRAMME?

So far the weather looks very unpromising for the Jubilee celebrations of next week, and more and more little awkwardnesses and difficulties are cropping up in connection with the arrangements as the time draws nearer. There is one very general feeling on the subject and that is that too much is being crowded into the two days set apart for the Jubilee. It would have been better if the events could have been distributed over the afternoons and evenings of four days instead of two. The General Thanksgiving comes fittingly on Sunday. On Monday the dance that opens (and closes) the history of the Ball Room at the Mount Austin Hotel as a Ball Room is the only event. On Tuesday there is the presentation of addresses and the reception at Government House, the Review and "Hallelujah Chorus" in the Valley, the illuminations, the procession of boats, the fireworks at night, with the Chinese exhibition of curios and the Flower Show to fill up the day. It is too much. No one can hope to get to the Review and see it through to the end and get comfortably to the procession and illuminations afterwards. No Peake or resident in Kowloon can reasonably hope to do it, even with the assistance of the tram and of Mr. Dora's special launches. Access to the Hongkong shore at the ordinary piers being barred after 9 p.m. on Tuesday, it seems to us that the Police might usefully designate one or two piers to the eastward at which passengers may be allowed to land. But, after all, the question we wanted to ask when we started in on this paragraph is this: Even now could not the programme be altered and the Review of the troops and the "Hallelujah Chorus" be fixed for Thursday? It would be a most appropriate conclusion to and winding up of the entire celebration. There is too much crowded into Tuesday's programme, and that overcrowding will spoil the effect and destroy the pleasure for everybody. We commend our suggestion for the consideration of the Committee and of the authorities.

ANOTHER MUDDLE!

We do not like to be always complaining, but the P. W. D. have so muddled the arrangements for the Review on the Racecourse for want of a little thought, and the mistake can be so easily and quickly corrected, that we think we may mention it. We have no doubt they have heard of it before now privately, but all in the Press is sometimes attended to when private communications have no effect. The railings separating the course proper from the training course and the training course from the Recreation Ground have been removed to allow of the free movement of the troops. The shallow ditches by each line of rail have also been filled up, with the best intentions, so as to level the ground for the troops to march on. They would have been much better left alone, especially in this wet weather. They offered no serious impediment to the soldiers' crossing. Now they are simply so many feet of soft mud. The Department forgot, too, that these ditches served to carry off the surface drainage. In filling them they have blocked them and impounded the water, throwing it on to the course. A temporary pipe drain might have been put down under the filling-in to carry off the rain. This has not been done, but it is not too late to do it now. Mr. Price could have got it done.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

THE TOCHI VALLEY DISASTER.

LONDON, June 17th.

It has been decided to send a punitive expedition to the Tochi Valley.

EARTHQUAKE IN NORTHERN INDIA.

An earthquake has devastated Assam, ruining the tea gardens and crops, levelling the towns and destroying railways, roads and telegraphs. Serious mortality has taken place.

THE UNITED STATES AND HAWAII.

The annexation treaty has been submitted to the Senate.

JAPAN'S PROTEST.

The protest of Japan (as to the intention of the United States to annex Hawaii) is considered to be the reservation of rights under a treaty with the Hawaiian Islands.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is \$9.92 per £.

THE Mount Austin Hotel Ball will be held on Monday night.

THE distribution of "Jubilee" lanterns takes place on the Parade, in rear of the City Hall, at 10 p.m. on Monday.

M. A. Dange has arrived at Bangkok from Belgium to take up the duties of Assistant Legal Adviser to the Siam Government.

A GRAND rehearsal of the musical programme for the Jubilee is announced to be held at the Racecourse, Happy Valley, on Monday, at 5.30 p.m.

THE Directors of the Hongkong Electric Company propose to pay a dividend of 5 per cent. (£1.40 cents per share) and carry forward \$8,690 93.

MAGISTRATE: Now, what shall I do with you? You have been here sixty times for vagrancy, TRAMP: Well, yer mite give me a Diamond Jubilee.

We are requested to state that, owing to the numerous engagements of the West Yorkshire Band during Jubilee week, there will be no performance to-morrow evening at the Officers' Mess.

To enable "the public to jubilate a little more fully" the Government has decided to allow the hotels to remain open half an hour later than usual on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

THE whole of the catering for the Jubilee Committee is entrusted to Messrs. Madar and Farmer, of the New Victoria Hotel, a sufficient criterion that this branch of the celebration will be quite satisfactory.

THE Prefect of Wuchow has issued a proclamation with reference to Likin exactions. Evidently "squeeze pigdin" will die a hard death in the Kwang provinces, unless Western remedies are resorted to promptly and persistently.

LATE this afternoon we received the entries for the Jubilee Gymkhana. They are satisfactory as regards all but the bicycle races, for which further entries will be received by the Hon. Sec. at the Club, until 4 p.m. on Monday.

Ev the steamer *Giangyue*, which left Foochow on the 10th inst., the first direct shipment of tea this season was sent to London and the Continent. The shipment amounted to about 35,000 tons. On the 17th inst., the second steamer, the *Yunnan*, left.

CAPTAIN Ramsey and Chief Officer Woodley of the C. N. Co.'s steamer *Titan* were recently fined in amounts totalling £68 12s. at Sydney for thrashing members of the Chinese crew who had refused duty. The Captain stated that he believed he was only checking "an incipient mutiny," and he is probably right.

SHARE business during the past week has been slack and has not changed much. Steamboats have been done at \$155 for the end of the month and at \$165 for the end of August. Rafts have been in good demand and shares have been placed at \$22 to \$23 and \$23 on time. Green Islands have been done at \$37, which is selling rate.

IN connection with the Indian opium sales it was reported that the Government were going to sell 3000 more chests this year than last year, when 18,500 each of Paton and Benares were sold. Yesterday a telegram from Calcutta was received saying that the same amount would be sold this year as last year, and consequently the market went up \$40 per chest to-day.

WE continue to receive complaints from various quarters regarding the nocturnal noise nuisance. The appetite of the Chinese for "wild Gordin-knots of sound," which they call music, appears to be insatiable. That fearfully aggravating torment is heard all through the small hours, with squeaking accompaniment of fiddle and flute, and it is impossible for the luckless European whose residence is anywhere near the "Sing Song" houses. We have been asked what would happen if the same jubilation were carried on in a licensed European hotel. We are not good at guessing, however, and leave the conundrum for the police to solve.

THE day before yesterday a Chinese girl, 14 years of age, was taken from Sampan, No. 2,440, at Causeway Bay, suffering from small-pox. She had been in the boat for two weeks and had been moving between Sam-shul-poo and Causeway Bay. Information of her sickness reached the police and she was taken to the Kennedytown Hospital. This information is confirmed by the Secretary of the Sanitary Board, who also gave our reporter to understand that the boat has been duly disinfected. During the past few days the bodies of children who have died of small-pox have been found in the streets of the city near Queen's College and it is rumored among the Chinese that there is quite an epidemic of small-pox here. The Sanitary Board's record only shows four cases this month.

ANOTHER epidemic of hysteria is creating and havoc in the ranks of newspaper men in Tonkin. The other day John Bull and "roast beef" were all the rage with them and now they are shrieking themselves hoarse over the Chinese immigration question. *Le Courrier de Saigon* is very frate: It seems that it would like to pole-axe, or rather heavily poll-tax and thereby exclude Chinese from Tonkin, and in its issue of the 12th instant it says:—A great emigration movement has set in in the direction of Hongkong and the neighbouring ports of Cochin China as is shown by the official statistics of the last few days. The German steamer *Dunrover* took on Wednesday 550 Chinese emigrants for Canton and South China ports. The Celestians will filter regularly through their country, but there are amongst them some who will probably never see our country again, and they are the ones who are dangerous. Put into the hands of the French police, these dangerous "sons of Han" have been guarded until the departure of the steamer. They have been shipped under care of certified associations who will see after them until they arrive at their destination. This is a measure we appreciate from the bottom of our hearts.—Gordon! What a relief!

FURTHER proof has lately been received in Sydney of the subtleness of the northern portions of New South Wales for the growth of tropical products. The Agricultural Department has received from Chatsworth, on the Richmond River, a sample of preserved ginger grown and prepared there. The growth and preserving of this root has become quite a small industry in the district and its quality is reported to be fully equal to that of the best Chinese root.

WE are requested to state that the signal arranged for the postponement of the general illuminations and of the steam launch procession is two guns to be fired in succession from the Peak. A negative flag—five black crosses on a white ground—will also be shown from a conspicuous place on H.M.S. *Tamar*. The postponement will remain in force until two guns fired successively from the Peak proclaim the resumption of the illuminations on the day on which the guns are fired. We are requested to state for the convenience of passengers landing from their launches after the close of the procession, that the Naval and Military authorities have kindly authorised the use of the wharves under their control.

THE water was cut off at Padder's Hill and neighbourhood yesterday afternoon and the greater part of last night, and, as usual, no notice was given to the householders, who were most seriously inconvenienced. This is the second time that this has been done, and it certainly reflects anything but credit on those responsible for it. At the present time a good supply of fresh water is more than ever absolutely necessary, and there appears to be no excuse for the great discomfort so unexpectedly thrust upon the people. As we have before said, an hour's notice before cutting off the water would have enabled provision to be made against the "drought" and there certainly appears to be no reasonable ground for the neglect to give such notice.

AT the Royal Engineers' barracks elaborate preparations are being made for the celebration of the Jubilee. Over the main entrance a tangle bridge has been erected and in the centre is a search light with 18 electric lamps. Under the bridge hang two boats, and trophies of mines are to be appropriately displayed. The bridge is to be gaily dressed with flags, and figures of divers, with electric lights in the helmets, will form part of the show. Inside the gate a mimic fort will be constructed and from between the balcony posts hang monster letters that on Tuesday night will spell in electric light the sentiment "God bless the Queen." Many of the sappers are giving their "watch below" to aid in the work and their decorations certainly promise to be very handsome, interesting, and creditable to all concerned.

PIRACY IN THE HARBOUR.

AN armed robbery was committed on a rice junk anchored to the west of Stonecutter's Island at midnight on the 18th inst. About ten men armed with revolvers, swords, etc., boarded the junk from two other boats, and after a brief struggle, looted the junk of the value of about \$175. They took away one of the junk's boats filled with brass, and a stove in the other boat so that the crew of the junk could not follow in pursuit. The junk's crew were fairly taken by surprise. The master of the junk said that he was sleeping in an upper bunk when he was awakened by the barking of his dog. On the starboard side he saw a small boat. Suddenly three men armed with revolvers came up and drove him to his cabin. On the way he saw two other men, also armed with revolvers, but one of them had a dagger brandish. Their faces were blackened. He heard the voices of many men and it was his opinion about ten strangers were on board. One of the men stood guard at the door, another covered him and his wife with a revolver, threatening to fire if either uttered a sound, and the third man collected everything he could lay hands on. About \$140 worth of clothing and jewelry including \$25 cash was taken from him. The crew was covered by revolvers. Only one of them was hurt, he being hit with the blunt edge of a sword by one of the pirates, who said that he was very slow in going down the step. The affair was reported to Inspector Hansen at the Water Police Station at 9.15 a.m. on the 19th. He went on board the junk and saw signs of violence, and also saw the mark on the back of the man who was struck.

Only two men have been arrested in connection with the affair, one being Lau Yau hawker, and the other was Yang Yee, a fisherman. The arrest was due to the investigations of Inspector Bullin, and the successful work of Chinese Detective U Po, P. C. 221, who has seen 14 years service with the Hongkong Police, and is to be remembered as the man who caught the notorious murderer Lal Mit. The first man was arrested with the help of the Chinese mandarin on the neighbouring mainland, in the Yam Ke opium divan in Sam-sul-poo on the 3rd inst. The other was arrested in a hut in Chuen Wan on the 5th. The former had a number of articles in his belt which were identified by the master of the junk as having been seized by the pirates. Two revolvers, one five chambered and one seven chambered, were also on the bed, the latter being loaded in six chambers. In a coat claimed by this man as being his property there were seven rounds of ammunition which fitted the five chambered revolver. In the second man's possession was an elgar box also identified as having been seized from the junk. Both prisoners were mixed up with other other men, and the master of the junk was called. On being asked if he could recognise any of the men he immediately pointed out the first prisoner as being one of them. None of the crew could recognise the second.

TO-DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Inspector Bullin, recalled, said that on the 9th inst. he went to Kowloon City with all the witnesses. There he saw the second prisoner. The mandarin handed him over to witness who took him to Yau-mai. All the witnesses had an opportunity of identifying him, but none could do so. Chinese Detective U Po, 221, deposed that at 12.30 p.m. on the 3rd inst. he went with Inspector Bullin to an opium divan in Sam-sul-poo. The first defendant was the only person in the house and witness arrested him. He told him that he was charged with robbing a rice junk off Stonecutter's Island on the night of the 18th inst. On the 5th inst. he went to a hut in Chuen Wan. The second defendant was sitting on a bed. He heard a broken lock there which was claimed by the complainant as having been forced from his box. In the defendant's trunk he found a elgar box containing a elgar's watch which was also identified by the complainant as his property. Chow Yung Cheung, a police interpreter at the

